Madarsa modernization and appointment of Urdu teachers

639. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether to implement the recommendations of the Fatmi Committee, Government has urged different State Governments particularly Rajasthan for pro-active measures under the schemes of madarsa modernization and appointment of Urdu language teachers; and

(b) if so, what has been the result thereof and the financial details of sanction and funds disbursed to Rajasthan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. All State Governments including the Government of Rajasthan have been requested to take pro-active measures for implementation of these schemes. Under the scheme of Area Intensive and Madarsa Modernization, an amount of Rs. 112.71 lakhs was released to the State of Rajasthan in the year 2005 out of which Rs. 39.11 have remained unutilized. Fresh proposals for financial assistance have been received from Government of Rajasthan to the tune of Rs. 370.00 lakhs for infrastructure development of schools, which is being considered by this department.

Under the scheme of providing teachers in modern languages including Urdu, an amount of Rs. 5.40 lakhs was released to the Government of Rajasthan during the year 2004-2005 for the appointment of 45 Urdu teachers. The Government of Rajasthan has not submitted the utilization certificate of this amount.

Review Committee on IIMs

640. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have appointed a Review Committee on IIMs under the Chairmanship of Mr. R.C. Bhargava;

(b) if so, the details of the Committee;

(c) the objective of this review;

(d) the tenure of this Committee; and

(e) the future of IIMs and how Government would maintain them as institutions of excellence?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) Yes Sir, the Government has appointed the IIM Review Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri R.C. Bhargava.

(b) The Review Committee comprises of the following:

1.	Shri R.C. Bhargava, former MD, Maruti Udyog Limited	—	Chairman
2.	Shri Ajit Balakrishnan, Chairman, BOG, IIM Calcutta and Chairman and CEO rediff.com	—	Member

3.	Mrs. Anusua Basu, Dy. CAG (Retd.)	—	Member
4.	Shri Ravi Mathur, Joint Secretary (Technical), Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development	—	Member Secretary

(c) The Terms of Reference for the Review Committee are as follows:

(i) To review the present status of IIMs in fulfillment of their objective as centres of excellence in management education and research.

(ii) To review the existing courses being offered in IIMs in the right of their relevance and national priorities.

(iii) To review their organizational and administrative structure and to suggest suitable changes therein with a view to serve better the country's economic and social development needs.

(iv) To review expansion plans of the IIMs during the next decade, and particularly during the XIth Plan, with a view to optimal utilization of the existing capacities.

(v) To review the position of the corpus fund in each Institute and to suggest broad guidelines for better utilization of this fund.

(vi) To review the per student cost on various courses being offered by the institutes and to suggest guidelines for proportionate recovery of this cost from student fees, government grants, interest income corpus etc.

(vii) To review and suggest measures for easy availability of educational loans to students.

(viii) To review availability of scholarships, freeships and other forms of financial assistance to the students.

(ix) To review the incentive schemes prevailing in various IIMs for faculty and non-faculty staff and to suggest suitable modifications therein.

(x) To give recommendations on the issue of powers and functions of Chairman, Board of Governors of IIMs.

(xi) To report on any other aspects that are relevant to overall effective and efficient functioning of these institutes.

(d) The Committee has been asked to submit its report within six months from the date of issue of the Gazette Notification to this effect.

(e) The Government is committed to ensure that all IIMs retain their autonomy and maintain their status as institutions of excellence.

Recognition of universities and colleges in Punjab

641. SHRI VARINDER SINGH BAJWA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of universities and colleges in Punjab whose requests and proposals for recognition and financial assistance are at present pending with the University Grants Commission;